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**EL PASO MAN SENTENCED FOR  
ATTEMPTING TO SMUGGLE ECSTASY INTO THE UNITED STATES**

**United States Attorney Johnny Sutton** announced today that 26-year-old Jesus Lorenzo Guerra of El Paso, Texas, was sentenced to 151 months in federal prison for attempting to smuggle 14,396 ecstasy pills into the United States.

In addition, U.S. District Judge Frank Montalvo ordered that Guerra be placed under supervised release for a period of three years after completing his prison term.

On July 9, 2003, Guerra and 26-year-old Christopher Serrano of El Paso were arrested at the Bridge of Americas by inspectors with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement. On October 21, 2003, Guerra pled guilty to conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute ecstasy.

Serrano, who on October 16, 2003, pled guilty to same charge, faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a maximum \$1 million fine. Serrano remains in custody awaiting formal sentencing scheduled for 8:30am on February 12, 2004.

Assistant United States Attorney Kristal Wade is prosecuting this case on behalf of the government.

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